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Library Association meeting in Library room the first Tuesday in each month at 7:30 P. M.
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Holy Communion, first Sunday in each month, at 10:30 A. M.
Morning Prayer (other Sundays) interpreted for 10:30 A. M.
Junior Christian Endeavor, 11:30 A. M.
Bible School, 2:00 P. M.
Vespers, Native service, 8:30 P. M.
Services in English about every fourth Sunday at 4:30 P. M.
Evening Prayer and service, 7:30 P. M.
Ladies' Aid every second Tuesday evening.
Native Choir, Saturday evening.
Service of Song, Friday evening, 7:30.
Native Choir, Saturday evening.
Free Night School every evening, except Sat.
HARRY P. CORSER, Rector.

SALVATION ARMY
Regular meetings Tuesday and Friday, 7:30 P. M.
Knee Drill, every morning, 7:30.
Services in Hall, Sunday, 10:30 A. M.
Sunday School, 2:00 P. M. Sunday.
Regular service Sunday evening, 7:30.
EMMA MILLER, Corps Commander.
THOS. TAMARÉE, Sergeant-Major.
ROB. SMITH, Adjutant.

WITH PENCIL AND SHEARS

Items of Interest Gathered From
Here and There

Home-made photo albums, 20 pages, 20 cents each at SENTINEL office if ordered before Saturday noon.

Don't forget to register.

K. J. Johansen was over to Ideal Cove during the week.

The Seattle has taken the Cottage City's Sitka run for awhile.

Dick Nastrom and Peter Vick were up from Anito Bay during the week.

Richard Hofstad is having a 30-foot power boat built in the old cooper shop.

WANTED—Two or three rooms, completely furnished for housekeeping. Apply at this office.

The Anita left Sunday for Hollenbeck & Taylor's logging camp down the channel, near Deer Island.

Mr. Frank Lyon returned on the last Jefferson from Seattle, where he went a few weeks ago to attend to some business matters. He will now remain here permanently.

FRATERNAL MONUMENT

This writer returned on the Cottage City from Juneau, where, on March 18, Juneau Lodge No. 420, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks held the dedicatory services of their elegant new building. This magnificent structure (the most imposing of any Alaska building) has recently been completed and furnished at a cost of almost \$30,000, and the Juneau Elks are to be congratulated upon the grand success which has crowned their strenuous efforts to erect a "home" that will stand for many years as a monument to the fraternal spirit which cements the ties of friendship and brotherly love between man and man.

The building occupies a very slight and conspicuous spot upon one of the principal streets of the capital city, and is easily accessible from any portion of the city. The foundation is of concrete, with large plate glass windows to admit the light into the various rooms which occupy the basement, viz: the billiard room, the reception room, the library and reading room, and the buffet. In the basement are also laid the finest bowling alleys in Alaska, with a beautiful fountain sparkling in the entrance.

On the second floor is a theatre with a fine stage, auditorium and gallery, the seating capacity being about 600. The auditorium floor is level, so as to be used for dancing.

On the third or upper floor are the lodge room, property room and ante rooms. Running parallel and the full length of the lodge room is a luncheon room, supplied with a thoroughly equipped kitchen at the rear. Every floor, and even the gallery, is provided with toilets, and the furniture throughout is as fine as money will buy. All in all, this building is a credit to the Lodge, the town and the territory.

Juneau Lodge No. 420, comprising about two hundred members, and still rapidly growing, is made up of the live and energetic citizens of Juneau and the neighboring towns. The membership list includes the best of the territory's citizens—men in whose hands the future development and glory of Alaska rests.

The Elks is not an insurance or assessment organization. They are an optimistic clan whose blood circulates. Their cardinal virtues are to aid the sick, bury the dead, and inject sunshine into dark places. They are not saints; simply dispensers of practical Christianity. They live by the way and lend unto the Lord, for they give unto the poor. Their mission is to do good; and they do good. There are no Elks in potters' fields or county shrouds. There are no hungry Elks. A square meal beats prayer for an empty stomach. A hot Scotch counts advice on a cold morning.

Webster defines fraternity as a body of men associated for common interests, business or pleasure, and Juneau Lodge is an exemplification of that definition. Here's a health and hearty congratulations to Juneau Lodge No. 420.

ANOTHER INDUSTRY

Mr. Joseph, representing Portland and Astoria capital, left for the south by the Jefferson, after having spent several days at Wrangell. He was in this section for the purpose of finding a suitable location for a salmon salting and curing establishment, and said that such an industry would be established here in a short time. Mr. Joseph thought it best to place the industry at a point which would at once offer good transportation facilities and be in close proximity to the fishing grounds, and after casting about for several days, decided upon Wrangell as the proper place. There is plenty of room for these enterprises, and we are indeed pleased to learn of this new project.

Wm. Bangasser, an old Yamhill acquaintance of the Snyder family, was a passenger north on the Jefferson. He is connected with the postoffice department, and was bound for Dawson to investigate a mail bag robbery which occurred last summer.

Ex-Mayor P. C. Jensen left Hamburg, Germany, March 5, by the big liner Mauretania, and should be putting in his appearance. An unauthenticated report is current that Mr. Jensen is now traveling as the companion of a millionaire German tourist.

The change of venue in the case of the U. S. vs Ed. Hasey from the third to the first division is certainly an expensive piece of litigation. Forty-two witnesses with a per capita per diem of \$4 and a mileage of \$207.06 will cost a neat fortune—the sacrifice of Alaska to corporation greed.

Another strike has been called at the Treadwell mines, posters announcing it having arrived here on the Jefferson.

The Douglas Island Miners Union will

probably now have additional incentive

buried against it by a certain Alaskan

but when it is considered that

3,000 shares of the paper's capital stock

and a \$2,000 mortgage against the plant is held by Treadwell and Treadwell interests, no one can blame the paper for the stand it takes. When a man's meal ticket is involved he is quite likely to acquiesce in most anything. The organization of miners at Treadwell has been instrumental in having wages raised to a fair plane, and, if given an opportunity, will accomplish other improvements in the condition of the miners, and here is hoping that they may be successful in gaining their point in the present walkout, providing it is gained without any danger or damage to life or property.

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REGISTRATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Registration Book of the Town of Wrangell, Alaska, has been delivered to me by the Town Clerk; that the same is now open for the registration of all legally qualified voters of Wrangell, Alaska. The Registration Book will be open from 9 o'clock a. m. to 4 o'clock p. m., daily, Sunday excepted, up to and including April 6th, 1908. All voters, whether for Councilmen or School Officers should register to entitle them to vote.

Dated at Wrangell, Alaska, this 6th day of March, 1908.

L. C. PATERNAUDE,

Registrar.

ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual election for the Town of Wrangell, Alaska, will be held on Tuesday, April 7th, 1908, at which time there will be elected seven (7) Common Councilmen to serve for one year and one member of the Wrangell School Board to serve for the period of three (3) years and one member of said School Board to serve for the period of one (1) year.

Polling place will be in the "Feltham Building" on the north side of Front St. Wrangell, which rooms were formerly occupied by G. E. Rodman as a law office.

Polls will be open at 9 o'clock a. m. and remain open until 7:30 o'clock p. m. or said day.

By an order made by the Common Council of Wrangell, March 5th, 1908.

J. E. WORDEN,

Town Clerk.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the citizens of Wrangell will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Red Men's building, Wrangell, Alaska, on Saturday, March 28th, 1908, at the hour of 8:30 o'clock p. m.

This meeting will be called for the purpose of nominating candidates for a Common Council of seven (7) members, to serve for one year, and two members of the Wrangell School Board, a Clerk and a Director, the former to serve for a term of three years and the latter for a term of one (1) year.

Dated at Wrangell, Alaska, this 26th day of March, 1908.

LEO. C. PATERNAUDE,
Registrar.

John Schuler made the round trip to Juneau in the Jefferson.

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To Make Your Puddings Taste "GOOD"

Use Baker's Flavoring Extracts

Extract Vanilla, Extract Lemon, Extract Orange; Essence Wintergreen, Essence Peppermint, Essence Cinnamon, Essence Jamaica Ginger

THE BAKER DRUG CO.

Fred Wigg came in Monday evening from Etolin Island with eighty-three king salmon—the result of three day's fishing.

The Chamber of Commerce at its last meeting voted to move its big mineral cabinet from the chamber rooms to the office of the Wrangell Hotel, and all parties having mineral specimens of any description are asked to place them in the cabinet, where all visitors may be enabled to see them.

With the sawmill, cannery, shingle mill and Berg's mine running, with a big cold storage under construction and a saltery projected for the coming year, business should not be dull about this section. In fact, it now looks as if there would be a shortage of laborers to keep these enterprises running.

Pursuant to an order issuing from the war department to the effect that all soldiers on foreign service must leave such service after three years, Sergeant Perry is making preparation to leave the Wrangell cable station, and expects to be relieved here in a month or two.

Well educated Japanese cook wants a position. Speaks English. Apply to Henry S. Toyo, Olympic Restaurant.

The public school roll of honor will be published next week.

This week we cut off all subscribers who owe a year or more.

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the San Francisco fire

People who do everything for self never pay their debts.

Since she has become a life member of the W. C. T. U. the country will expect Carrie Nation to be good.

London expects to have a population of 16,000,000 in 1950. The rest of England will then be merely London's back yard.

Pedestrian Weston is going to lecture. A man should be able to think of a lot of things to say while taking a 1,200-mile walk.

"The Speaker of the House," says "Uncle Joe" Cannon, "is the servant of the House." And he doesn't crack a smile as he says it.

The Songs of Solomon are not sweet, than is Secretary Wilson's report emphasizing the great agricultural resources of this glorious country.

If Mr. Weston were going to join a company of barnstorming actors it would be easier to understand how his great talent for walking might come handy.

When a man marries he hands around the cigars as a matter of course. When the first blessed baby arrives he sets 'em up again as a joyous privilege.

Because Miss Anna Gould denies the report that she is negotiating for another husband, it need not be thought that she hasn't enough money left to buy one.

A Chicago business man has retired, satisfied, with a fortune of \$1,000,000. Common sense must have taught him that the Lord didn't expect him to pose as the trustee of all the small change in the country.

The man in town thinks of some day moving to a farm, and the farmer's ambition is to live in town. Yet these men rarely exchange places. It is simply a manifestation of unrest that doesn't do much harm.

Recurring for a moment to President Woodrow Wilson's declaration that "only 10 per cent of the people of this country think," it must mean that only 10 per cent of the people think as President Woodrow Wilson thinks.

There must be some satisfaction, after all, in being as rich as a Rockefeller or a Morgan. Then, when a panic gets too loud, all you have to do is to snap your thumb and finger at it and say: "There, there, now, that's all I think."

One of the preachers says that to feel like swearing is as much a sin as swearing. He neglects to explain how people may keep from feeling like swearing when they pound their thumbs and when their feet are stepped on in crowded cars.

The harem of two of the ministers of the Sultan of Morocco have been captured and divided among the rebel chiefs. If meat and milk and groceries are as high in Morocco as they are here the ministers are likely to exhibit a good deal of fortitude in bearing their affliction.

A brief but exceedingly impressive memorial service was that which stopped every wheel on every Chicago, Burlington and Quincy locomotive and car for five minutes during the funeral of Charles E. Perkins, a former president of the road. Precisely at 3 o'clock all trains, no matter where they were, came to a standstill, and remained motionless until five minutes past 3. Work of every kind was also suspended in every office of the company. The man thus honored, in a way which he would probably have appreciated more than any other, was a rich man who had worked his way up from the lowest round of the ladder by means which disarmed enemies and made friends, and his honor was more to him than his money. When a bank in which he was a shareholder and director was in trouble—a trouble known to him, but not to the depositors—he came to the rescue with his whole fortune. Although his legal liability was only twenty thousand dollars, he poured in a million, and suffered heavy losses for the sake of saving small depositors, who, before he died, never even knew that they had been saved. Such a man deserves well of his country. It is fitting that the wheels should stop for a little space when he goes out.

Immigration and emigration are words so near alike that they are often confused, and they do express the same thing from different points of view. Every person who becomes part of the immigration problem of this country is already part of the emigration problem of his native country. Underneath the special needs and beliefs of nations, the basic reason for migration lies in an economic readjustment of population to resources. The overcrowded country parts with its surplus labor to the land of surplus opportunity. Soon the receiving country begins to subject immigrants to close examination as to their number and their character. This examination constitutes the immigration problem as we know it in America.

Meanwhile the country which the emigrants leave examines them as to number and character and the reasons for their leaving home. When Ireland began to suffer from diminishing population, owing to excessive emigration to America, the British government, and individuals interested in the welfare of Ireland, tried to revive Irish industries and improve social conditions, in order to stem the outgoing flood. Now Sweden and Norway are investigating the advantages which attract their citizens to this country, with a view to duplicating those advantages at home. Great Britain is trying to deflect emigration from the United States, and to send it to Rhodesia and other British colonies. Italy, with improving industries, is taking measures to check the outpouring of laborers from its ports. Spain, by shipping regulations and military service laws, hopes to keep its people at home. Hungary has been negotiating to buy Hungarian estates and divide them into homesteads for its people. This plan, like that which Sweden is considering, has for its object to make the old country so attractive that the poor man will not go abroad to better his lot. The result of all these movements must be to better the conditions of the poor in all countries and to force the world to raise at least the economic valuation which it sets upon a human being.

It is generally known that several American railroads, banking and manufacturing corporations maintain excellent old-age pension systems. The idea of insurance against disability and superannuation is bound to grow with the advance of industrial intelligence, thrift and enlightened self-interest.

For as the British chancellor of the exchequer, Mr. Asquith, once said in expressing approval of the principle of "universal" old-age pensions, nothing is more pathetic than the spectacle of a destitute man who has spent a lifetime in the service of society, in honest work of any kind. Nothing is more pathetic, and nothing is more discreditable to our industrial civilization.

In England and in France old-age pensions are on the governmental programs of social legislation. In the United States a few communities—notably Massachusetts—have been looking into the question of state pension systems.

But it is characteristic of American enterprise and self-help not to depend entirely on legislation, but to see what can be done in given directions by private and voluntary effort. All wage-workers will be greatly interested in the announcement that the International Typographical Union has approved by referendum the old-age pension plan recently submitted to the members.

Under the ratified proposal any printer of 60 who is unable to secure employment at adequate pay, provided he has been a member of the union, in good standing, for twenty years, will be entitled to \$4 a week for the rest of his life.

The fund for this purpose is to be raised and maintained by a light assessment on the earnings of the members.

There is no reason why old-age pensions should not become a popular and permanent feature of the "beneficial" side of all the strong and well-managed American labor unions, federal and other. In all probability the action of the Typographical Union will be sympathetically studied and emulated by other organizations. It is likely, too, that such co-operation by the associated workmen will give a new impetus to the tendency among large employers of labor to establish satisfactory pension systems.

Barrels Too Dear to Burn.

The Thanksgiving barrel burning is doomed. The day is not so far distant when barrels will not be obtainable.

Those who harvest the crops in the fall realize more than others how difficult it is to get barrels for the purpose.

A barrel hunter in a neighboring State said the other day, it is a shame for people to break up and burn their barrels when they are so scarce.

He said he has chased all day for only a few barrels as a result.

According to this man the making of barrels is an industry which is not followed by many, and cooper in the cheap barrel line are becoming scarcer each year, and people wanting barrels for their winter apples have to depend upon burlap sacks or pay double what the other receptacles are worth.

In the near future barrels, which are scarce, are going to be too scarce and too dear to burn.

The scarcity of barrels promises to end the barrel gang.

Nothing else is like to do it.—Norwich (Conn.) Bulletin

Don't Fear Leprosy.

Jonathan Hutchinson, an eminent

Englishman, writes to the London

Times that there is not the slightest

cause for alarm concerning the prevalence

of leprosy in the Rhone valley in

Switzerland, which is visited by many

tourists.

He says that there are more lepers in London than in the whole of the Valais canton, and that in Norway

the number may probably be multiplied

a hundredfold. Yet no one fears to

reside in London or to visit Norway,

and he says that no visitor ever

contracted the disease in either place.

The disease is well known to occur all along the Mediterranean coast, and at San

Remo there has for a long time been

special accommodations provided for lepers.

Run and Run.

"When I first went to housekeeping

I tried to run everything. I ended with running nothing."

"Absolutely nothing?"

"Well, perhaps the gamut of the

emotions now and then"—New York

World.

"But you only bought two the last

LITTLE ALL-ALONEY.

Little All-Aloney's feet

Pitter-patter in the hall,
And his mother runs to meet
And to kiss her toddling sweet,
Ere perchance he fall.

He is, oh, so weak and small!

Yet what danger shall he fear
When his mother hovereth near

And he hears her cheering call:

"All-Aloney!"

Little All-Aloney's face

It is all glisten with glee,
As around that romping place

At a terrifying pace

Lungeth, plungeth he!

And that he seems to be

All unconscious of our cheer—

Only one dear voice he hears

Calling reassuringly:

"All-Aloney!"

Though his legs bend with their load,

Though his feet they seem so small!

That you cannot help forebode

Some disastrous episode

In that noisy hall;

Neither threatening bump nor fall

Little All-Aloney fears,

But with sweet bravado steers

Whither comes that cheery call:

"All-Aloney!"

Ah, that in the years to come,

When he shares of Sorrow's store,

When his feet are chill and numb,

When his cross is burdensome,

And his heart is sore;

That would he could hear once more

The gentle voice he used to hear—

Divine with mother love and cheer:

"All, all alone!"

Eugene Field.

The Maid and

The Peddler

MARY'S HEART.

Mary's heart smote her. Of course

pride forbade any more knives.

But he did look tired. Perhaps he was

hungry. Perhaps the knife selling busi-

ness was not flourishing just now.

He seemed to have a great many left.

"Won't you sit down?" she faltered

hating her own weakness, yet glorying

in it like a true woman.

"He is a peddler! A peddler!" she

whispered to herself. Her cheeks were

glowing with her inward scorching of

herself for her lack of pride, as she

brought out a loaf of bread and cut it.

"I'll just talk to him this once, and

that's all!" she retorted to herself,

retaining its own tribal system, its

own chiefs, its own language, in-

dustry and prosperous in a ter-

ritory which land speculators and

mining prospectors are

not permitted to enter.

"She can hardly object," Mary be-

gan, then catching a quick glance from

him, she bathed herself.

"The misses always wants I should feed anyone

who is hungry—and deserving."

Mary stood with her back toward him, at the window. She was busy filling the salt jars. She was determined that she was too busy to talk. But the peddler did not seem to mind. He talked cheerfully at her. He told little tales of the road, bits of real life he had seen. The humor and pathos of every day as it had unravelled itself before him took artistic shape in his vivid narrative. Before she knew it Mary was interested. She was answering pleading out his experiences with her own. Suddenly she realized what she was doing. She crossed the room to leave.

"You are not going?" There was real

dismay in his voice.

"I ought not to talk to you."

"Why not?"

Mary could not answer that he was

only a peddler. So she was silent.

"See here, perhaps I guess what you mean!" he cried after a moment of silence between them. "As for your work, that is all right! I believe in work. It is honorable. All kinds! What do I know of you? Nothing! Therefore we can judge one another plainly.

"All my life I have been against these iron bars of conventional judgments, set and established and imposed

upon us by others. The way for one

to survive with consciousness or with a con-

sciousness enlarged and transformed, of which that which we

possess to-day cannot give us any idea, which it

rather prevents us from conceiving, just as our imper-

fect eye prevents us from conceiving other light than

that which passes between sub-red and ultra-violet. The hypothesis resolves itself into a simple question of con-

sciousness. To say, for example, as we are tempted to

do, that a survival without consciousness is equivalent to

annihilation, is to argue a priori and without reflection

ALASKA SENTINEL

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year, in advance \$2.00
Six Months, " 1.00
Three Months, " 75

ADVERTISING RATES

Professional Cards, per month \$1.00
Display, per inch " 1.00
Locals, 10 cents per line, first insertion; 5 cents per line, each subsequent insertion.

Cards of thanks, obituaries, etc., sent in for publication will be charged for at the rate of 10 cents per line.

JOB WORK

This office is equipped for all classes of commercial job printing, and reasonable prices will be furnished upon application.

DELIBERATE TRIAL SYSTEM

That the expedition of trials in court depend in no small degree upon the efficiency and methods of the presiding judge has been well illustrated in connection with the two trials of the Thaw case. Nearly double the time occupied by the second trial was consumed when the slayer of White was first arraigned before a jury of his peers, and yet so far as the records show no important feature of the case was neglected in the latter instance. The time spent in courts the country over by lawyers in personal picketing, in trivial, unessential and more than useless questions and other time-consuming expedients, not only costs the taxpayers thousands of dollars every year, but, what is far more to be deplored, also retards the wheels of justice to a degree that disgusts the people and thereby renders methods of court trial a byword with consequent loss of that respect so essential to the promotion of the cause of justice.

Before the advent of William J. Bryan in national leadership, Grover Cleveland carried presidential elections on the popular vote three times in succession, by augmenting pluralities, but was defeated the second time by the electoral vote. His plurality in 1884 was 62,683; in 1888, 98,017, and 1892, 308,810. McKinley's plurality over Bryan in 1896 was 601,854. In 1890 McKinley's plurality over Bryan was 846,799. In fact Bryan's second candidacy was buried under a plurality nearly a quarter of a million greater than his first. In the electoral college McKinley had a majority over Bryan of 95 votes in 1896, but in 1900 his majority over Bryan was 137. Notwithstanding the increase in population, Bryan polled 144,792 less votes in 1900 than in 1896. The question now is, has Bryan changed his attitude on the great questions of the day sufficiently to insure his election provided he becomes the democratic nominee? Not unless republicans make a great blunder.

Again the Juneau Transcript is to be made up with news matter instead of rehashings from the Alaska-Treadwell Record. Messrs. Ullrich & Dech, the former a dead ringer, and both printers, have recently bought the business from Mr. Frame, and have ordered a fine new plant, which is expected to arrive in Juneau on the next Cottage City from Seattle. Ullrich was brought to Juneau by one of the paper publishers, and, because he could not—or would not—set type out of a sack, was "fired for incompetency" by the said publisher, who could not "pull proofs" in some offices where Ullrich has "delivered the goods." It is a matter of congratulation to the good people of Juneau that they are to have one real newspaper aside from the counterfeits which have so long been inflicted upon that section.

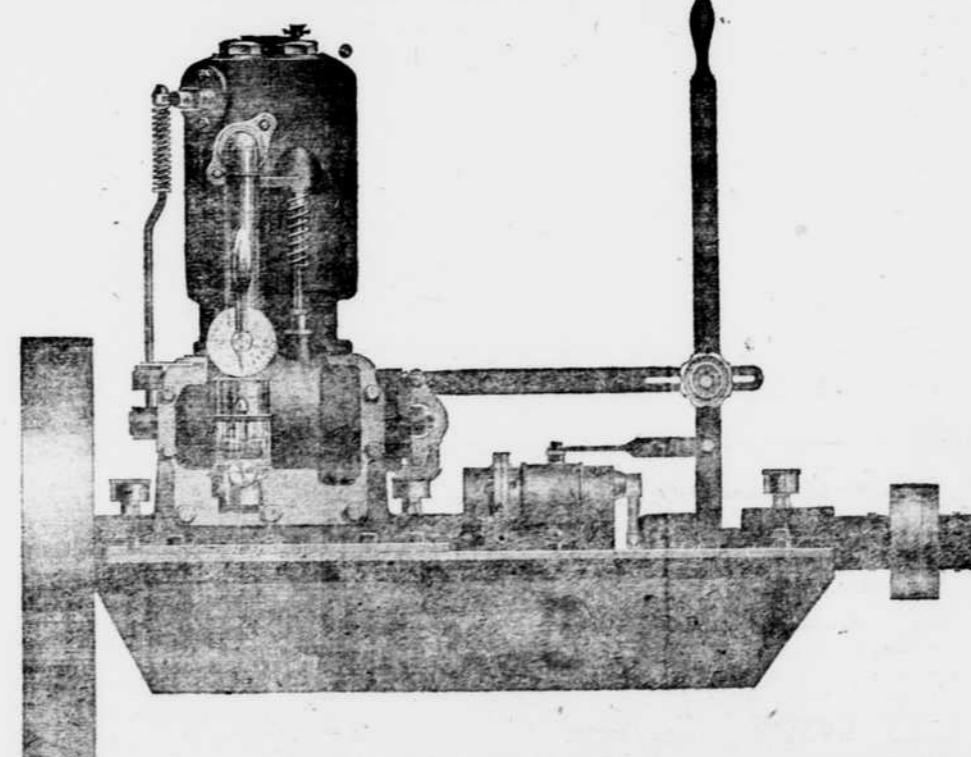
It would be idle to assume that the possibility of Mr. Roosevelt's

renomination has not entered many men's minds in the last few weeks. The Taft movement, while greatly overshadowing that in favor of any other candidate, has not yet demonstrated the certainty of its success; and its failure to do so in the future, may lead to a re-development of the Roosevelt boom. The president has "the common people" with him. Many of them would prefer him as their presidential candidate to any one else who might be named. And while the convention is not likely to be stampeded for him, the possibility of such a coup will not entirely pass until the voice of the chairman is heard announcing the nomination of Taft, Hughes or some other of the leaders from among whom the republican party may be willing to choose. Now mark the prediction!

San Francisco has been crucified between two thieves, and in the very midst of her own bitter realizations she sees the two scoundrels paroled and taken down from their crosses, for the moment, while she herself remains suspended in the agony and shame of her fearful sacrifice. Schmitz and Ruef are rejoicing in the technical reprieve that has come to them, and are certainly going to make the most of it in preparing for the longer and harsher campaign of prosecution that will surely be inaugurated against them on the unused indictments at hand. The eventual success of these men, technical though it be, will be a direct insult to the civilization of the day; and there is surely wit, wisdom and wealth in the Pacific metropolis to carry the task of reparation to completely successful issue. Else, we of America had better voluntarily yield our ambition to typify the best of modernity in governmental and social science and take our place in the ranks of the boorish and helpless proletariats of the Old Country. If San Francisco and California, knowing what they do, fail to pursue these men and their vile colleagues to the utter lines of all that is due them, that city and state will be amenable to reproach and confusion for all time to come.

Another long-cherished dream of this paper is about to be realized by the publication of a prospectus setting forth the resources of this section. Our idea was to have a pamphlet of fifty to one hundred pages, but, after due deliberation, the Chamber of Commerce, at the March meeting, authorized a committee to go ahead with an 8-page folder. By condensing the matter of descriptions, each subject will be given sufficient attention, and what is still more important, this folder can be printed by "home talent," thereby keeping the money at home, whereas, if the work was done elsewhere our merchants and citizens would lose it.

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